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In re application of Docket No: Q92488 CARDAMONE, David, et al. Appln. No.: (PCT/FR04/01668) Group Art Unit: NOT YET ASSIGNED Confirmation No.: NOT YET ASSIGNED Examiner: NOT YET ASSIGNED Filed: December 30, 2005 METHOD FOR ASSEMBLING A RACK PORTION OF A SELF-RAISING OIL RIG For: PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT **MAIL STOP PCT** Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages. TABLE OF CONTENTS AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS2

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